

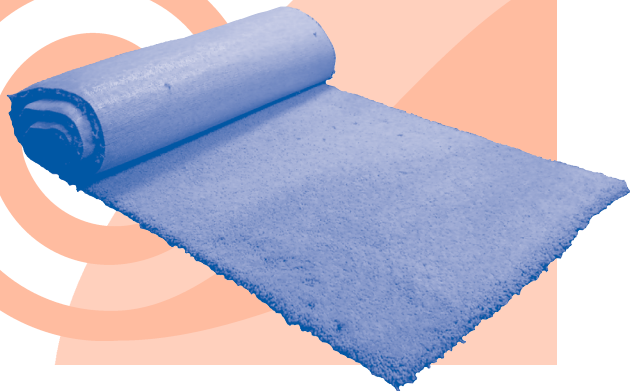
About the Coalition ...

The S.C. Carpet Recovery Coalition (CRC) encourages post-consumer carpet recycling by cities, counties and businesses in the state.

South Carolina is a leader for carpet recycling in the Southeast – with several hundred million pounds of carpet recycling capacity.

Nationally, **the carpet recycling industry employs 3,300 workers** who turn carpet into new products.

We can do more. Encouraging the recovery of carpet in your community will save landfill space and provide economic benefit through the production of value-added goods for the automotive and construction industries.

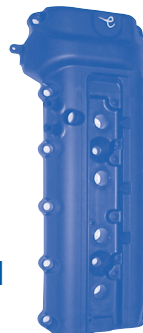


Why recycle carpet?

Carpet is bulky and will stay in **landfills forever**. Recycling carpet saves natural resources, conserves landfill space, reduces the dependency on fossil fuels and can save money through reduced disposal costs. Recycling allows a product at the end of its useful life to become a new resource.

Carpet can be made into fiber to produce: **new carpet; carpet padding; erosion-control products; and construction material.**

Carpet fiber also can be converted into plastic pellets and used in many products including furniture and automotive components – like cam covers manufactured for Ford and other auto engines.



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Our goal is to maximize the economic and environmental benefits of carpet recycling in South Carolina.

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Carpet Recycling Guidelines ...

S.C. carpet recycling companies accept post-consumer and post-industrial carpet. If starting a collection program at a retail business or local government, please contact a coalition partner for recovery guidelines.

ACCEPTED

- ✓ dry carpet and padding
- ✓ rolled residential carpet



carpet padding



rolled carpet

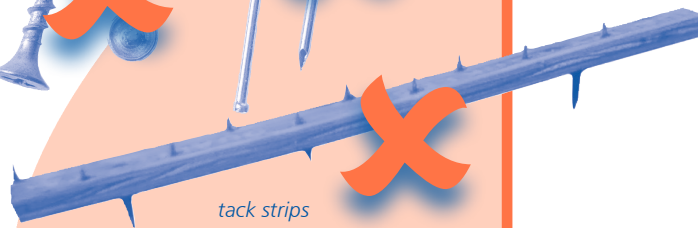
NOT ACCEPTED

- ✗ commercial/glue down carpet
- ✗ rubber backing
- ✗ carpet tile
- ✗ tack strips
- ✗ nails or other sharp objects
- ✗ rocks, trash or other debris
- ✗ wet carpet and padding

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tack strips



Things to Consider

When setting up a carpet recycling program, consider these steps.

- Train staff on the proper methods of carpet recovery.
- Make sure that the carpet is free of debris, dry and rolled.
- Place the collection trailer in a convenient location.
- Work with the S.C. carpet recycling industry on how to manage carpet.

Carpet Recycling in Your Area
